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Williams Co-Sponsors Spending Cap Bill



WATERTOWN- Saying that "it is time to honor the wishes of the public," State Representative Sean Williams (R- Oakville) today announced that he has cosponsored House Bill 5120, An Act Concerning the Implementation of the Constitutional Spending Cap.

"The voters of this state overwhelmingly approved the state spending cap following the implementation of the state income tax and they did it for a powerful reason: to provide taxpayers with a built-in tool to control their taxes," Williams said. "The legislature should honor the taxpayers' decision once and for all and we should do it this year."

Overwhelmingly approved in 1992 by voters in a statewide referendum, the cap responded to the imposition of the state income tax the year before. It protects taxpayers by providing that the legislature cannot increase spending beyond the increase in personal income or the rate of inflation, whichever is greater.

"The will of the people is that government spending needs to be substantially controlled. It is in the best interest of the taxpayers, businesses and working families of Connecticut to make sure that their paychecks are protected."

Rep. Williams represents the 68th *Assembly District, which includes Watertown, Oakville and Woodbury.*